Child Welfare Services Program Data Sources

I. Emergency Response (ER) Referrals

Information Available:
- Number of Emergency Response (ER) Referral Received, Dispositions, ER Disposition Reasons, Reason for ER at Disposition and Family Maintenance Activity
- Number of children referred for ER services and outcomes by age, ethnicity and gender
- ER referral outcomes Trend Chart

Reporting Source & Location:
- *Preplacement Preventive Services Report (SOC 291) Annual*
- *Comprehensive Children's Report-Section II*-Annual
- *ER Caseload Trends and Characteristics Publication (September 2000 Report Month)*
- *Characteristics of Children Referred for Emergency Response Services (CWS/CMS 4)*
- ♦ Research and Development Division Web Site (http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/)

Reporting Source & Location:
- Children referred for ER services by allegation type, referral disposition, demographics and annual rates
- ♦ Child Welfare Research Web Site: (http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports/Pointintime/services/)

II. Child Welfare Services (CWS) Caseload

Information Available:
- Open Family Maintenance (FM), Family Reunification (FR) and Permanent Placement (PP) cases
- Caseload by service component, age, ethnicity, gender and length of time current case has been open
- Comparison of CWS caseload to cases with open out-of-home placements by service component, age, ethnicity and gender
- Caseload and service component by county and trend chart

Reporting Source & Location:
- *Comprehensive Children's Report-Section III* (April 2001 Report Month)
- *CWS Service Component Caseload by County (CWS/CMS5)*
- ♦ Research and Development Division Web Site (http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/)

Reporting Source & Location:
- Child welfare case service component caseload (quarterly point in time) by demographics
- ¨ Child Welfare Research Web Site (http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports/referrals/)

III. Cases with Open Out-Of-Home Placements

Information Available:
- Number of placements by facility type, age, ethnicity, gender and length of stay in current placement
- Comparison of relative home and foster family home placements by age, ethnicity, gender and length of stay in current placement
- Number of children entering foster care for the first time by age, year entering care and number of placements
- Number of children who exited foster care by age, reason for leaving foster care and months in foster care
- Comparison of children in group homes (March 1998 to September 2000)
- Characteristics of children offered and receiving Independent Living Program (ILP) services
- Outcomes of children placed in the Intensive Treatment Foster Care Program

Reporting Sources & Location:
- *Children in Foster Care Placements by Supervising County Monthly Reports (CWS/CMS1 a,b & c) Monthly*
- *Children Living in Foster Care Characteristics by County Monthly Report (CWS/CMS2) Monthly*
- *Termination of Out-of-Home Placements for CWS Supervised Children (CWS/CMS3)*
- *Intensive Treatment Foster Care Program Quarterly Report (FC19) Quarterly*
- *Independent Living Program-Characteristics Annual Report (SOC405A) Annual*
- *Comprehensive Children's Report-Section IV & V Annual*
- *Children In Group Home Publication (Comparison of March 1998 to September 2000)*
- ♦ Research and Development Division Web Site (http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/)

Cases with Open Out-Of-Home Placements (Continued)

Reporting Source & Location:
- ➢ *First Entries to Foster care by placement type, demographics, and annual rates*
- ➢ *Stability of placements for children first entering foster care 1998-2000*
- ➢ *Length of stay for children first entering foster care 1998-2000*
- ➢ *Child welfare foster care caseload (quarterly point in-time) by placement type, demographics, and annual rates*
- ♦ Child Welfare Research Center Web Site (http://cssr.berkeley.edu/CWSCMSreports/cohorts/)

IV.   Placement Terminations

Information Available:
- • Number of children exiting care by County ethnicity and placement home type
- • Number of children who exited foster care by age, ethnicity, gender, reason for leaving foster care and length of stay in last placement
- • Number of children exiting foster care through the Kin-GAP Program (Contact DAPB Information Coordinator)

Reporting Sources & Location:
- ➢ *Comprehensive Children's Report-Section IV* (Monthly Report)
- ➢ *Children Living in Foster Care Characteristics by County ((CWS/CMS2)* Monthly Report)
- ➢ *Former Foster Care Youth Study of Children Exiting Care (1992-1997)*
- ➢ *Terminations of Child Welfare Supervised Children Out-of-Home Placements (CWS/CMS3)*
- ♦ Research and Development Division Web Site (http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/)

Reporting Source & Location:
- ➢ Exits over time for children first entering foster care 1998-2000
- ♦ Child Welfare Research Center Web Site (http://cssr.berkeley.edu/cwscmsreports/Cohorts/exits)

V. Adoptions in California

Information Available:
- • Number of children who received services by Adoptions Program, trend, age and gender information
- • Information on public, private & out-of-state adoptions and county specific information

Reporting Source & Location:
- ➢ *Adoptions in California Annual Statistical Report (1998-1999)*
- ➢ *Examining Characteristics and Trends in Public and Private Agency Adoptions State Fiscal Year*
- ♦ Research and Development Division (http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research/)

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